

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: Doc of the Dead

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1900624.000

Medium: DVD

Director: Alexandre O. Philippe

Producer: Kerry Deignan Roy
Robert Muratore

Country of origin: United States

Language: English

Applicant: Palmerston North Girls High School

Classification:	Unrestricted: Suitable for mature audiences 16 years of age and over.
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Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: Violence, horror, sexual material and offensive language

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 17 January 2020

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 17 January 2020

	Components	Running time
Feature(s):	Doc of the Dead	77:14
Trailer:	Doc of the Dead Trailer	2:34
Total running time:		79:48

Summary of reasons for decision:

Doc of the Dead is a light-hearted documentary about the zombie genre in entertainment media. It deals with horror and violence through depictions of zombies ambling about and attacking humans, in snippets from various zombie films and TV shows. It contains a low extent and degree of sexual material in a brief segment on the sexualisation of zombies in entertainment media. It also contains a low extent of offensive language. Although not suitable for young children, this content is unlikely to

cause serious harm to younger viewers. The impact of this material is significantly limited by the fact that depictions of zombies in action are accompanied by informative commentary and behind-the-scenes footage, such as people being 'made up' to look like zombies. As such the unrestricted availability of the DVD is unlikely to be injurious to the public good, however the subject matter is more suitable for mature viewers. It is therefore classified Unrestricted M.